

REMARKS

Claim 9 has been amended to insert the subscripts "v" and "w" into formula (6). These subscripts were inadvertently left out of the revised formula submitted in the last amendment. No new matter has been added and entry is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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